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	ISRAEL-LEBANON: Israelis Inching Closer	25X1
	(Information as of 2300 EDT)	23/(1
	Late reports from press say the Israelis moved into West Beirut at the Museum Crossing and near the Stadium this morning, but their intentions are not yet known. Israeli forces 5. were moving closer to Palestinian-held areas of Beirut yesterday and could initiate a final assault against the guerrillas in West Beirut with little warning.	
	The Lebanese are 25	X1 5X1
	proceeding with plans for presidential elections.	
	The Israelis continued to edge forward in Beirut's	
	southern suburbs.	
	UN Observers	5X1_
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Presidential Election	
Lebanese officials have asked the US to help facilitate the entry into Beirut of parliamentary deputies coming from areas of Lebanon currently under Israeli and Syrian control for the planned presidential elections. The request specifically calls for the removal of checkpoints at Beirut's east-west crossing points manned by the Phalange and by Israeli forces.	25X1
The Lebanese also have requested the presence of foreign observers to oversee the election process. They have approached several countries, including the UK, France, and West Germany.	25X1
Comment: The Israelis and the Phalange probably will not agree to remove the checkpoints as long as the PLO remains in West Beirut. National Assembly President Kemal al-Assad has stated his preference for holding the elections after the departure of the PLO and the deployment of a multinational force. This would have to be accomplished before 23 September, when the term of President Sarkis expires.	25X1
Palestinian Refugee Housing	
Minister of Economics Meridor, the Israeli official coordinating relief efforts in Lebanon, has said publicly that Palestinian refugees should be resettled in temporary camps north of the 40-kilometer security line. This proposal would see the refugees through the winter.	25X1
Meridor also said the Israeli Government ultimately wants all refugee camps dismantled and the Palestinians dispersed into "normal neighborhoods" in northern Lebanon. In contrast, he stated the Lebanese Government wants the Palestinians to leave Lebanon for good.	25X1
Comment: The Israelis have endorsed temporary camps because they probably recognized that alternative arrangements could not be made before cold weather begins.	
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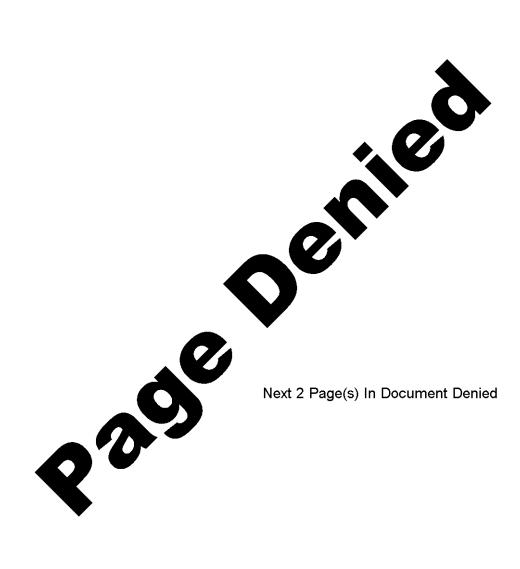


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JAPAN-US-USSR: Policy on Sanctions  Japanese officials continue to assure their US counterparts that Tokyo will not defy US sanctions against the USSR, but Japanese companies are still looking for ways to expand sales.	<b>25X1</b>
A Japanese Foreign Ministry official in Brussels recently said Japan, unlike some EC countries, would not encourage Japanese firms to ignore sanctions against the USSR. Nevertheless, the Sakhalin offshore oil exploration project is to go ahead at a reduced pace using non-US technology where available.	25X1 <sup>*</sup>

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CHINA-JAPAN: Textbook Controversy

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China's emotional attacks on the revisions in Japanese textbooks' treatment of World War II suggest the controversy willcontinue until Tokyo makes a conciliatory gesture.

Comment: China was compelled at first to react to the controversy because of the intense Japanese press coverage. Beijing now appears to be trying, however, to put Tokyo at a disadvantage on pending Chinese requests for additional economic assistance.

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//China also has noted the high-level Liberal Democratic Party delegation that traveled to Taiwan last month, and it could be concerned that the Japanese may expand their public dealings with Taipei. The publicity of the delegation's travel could provide another excuse for stronger attacks on Japan.//

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Beijing probably hopes the postponement of the visit that had been scheduled for next month by the Japanese Minister of Education will cause enough concern on the part of Prime Minister Suzuki to produce a concilitory gesture of some sort. Suzuki, who is scheduled to visit China next month, has kept aloof from the controversy. If it appears the issue could jeopardize his visit, however, Suzuki might authorize an official pronouncement to assuage Chinese sensitivities.

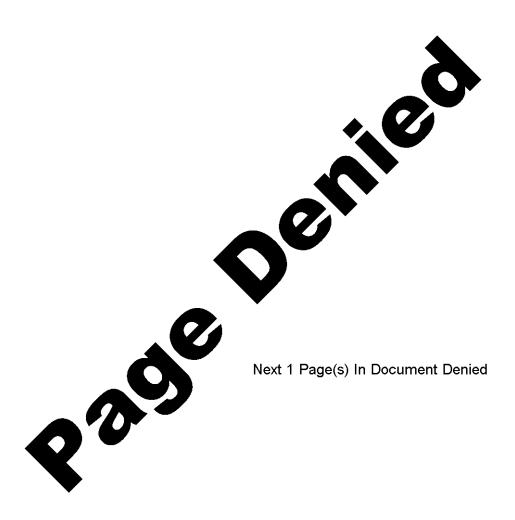
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EGYPT-US: Frustration Over the Palestinian Issue	
//Egyptian Defense Minister Abu Ghazala warned on Monday that no Arab country could provide military facilities to the US without progress on the Palestinian issue. Ghazala, in an interview with the ruling National Democratic Party's weekly, claimed the "liquidation" of the Palestinians in Lebanon could make Arabs bitter toward the US and cause them to reject US requests for "bases."//	25X1
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insisting it will not accept any Palestinians from Lebanon unless there is movement toward resolving the broader Palestinian issue.//	25X1
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SPECIAL ANALYSIS	
POLAND: Mortgaging the Future	25X1
The regime has for the moment halted the decline in industrial production and created a substantial trade surplus with the West by slashing imports. These gains, however, have been achieved by sharp reductions in investment and harsh cutbacks in the consumer sector. These are bad omens for future growth and domestic calm.	25X1
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Premier Jaruzelski's economic strategy has been to coerce enough output from a battered economy and a hostile population to ease financial problems with the West and to lay the basis for eventual recovery. His main tools have been martial law controls and massive retail price increases designed to drive down living standards, absorb excess money, and correct market disorder. To counter the effects of Western sanctions, he has sought to reorient the economy toward CEMA and has appealed for assistance from its members.	25X1
To conserve its scarce hard currency, the government evidently has decided to make heavier cuts in imports of machinery, equipment, and agricultural goods and fewer cuts in imports of industrial materials. This decision probably accounts in part for the present halt in the decline of industrial production.	25X1
The regime plans to double grain procurements from private farmers to make up for the reduced imports. This may lead to serious problems with farmers, especially if the government moves to compulsory deliveries.	25X1
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Coal production, which jumped 17 pe same period last year, is the one bright crease is the result of martial law rest workweek, and special bonuses and benefi production has eliminated electric power industry, permitted additional deliverie made possible increased exports.  The government also is facing growi culties, with 280,000 job vacancies and seekers. The vacancies grew out of a li retirement program put into effect earli	spot. The rictions, a restrictions sto farmers labor differently 20,000 peralized ear	in- longer in	25X1 25X1
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Looking to the East		25X1	
Poland's efforts to get help from the Eastern Europe have not had much impact. have argued publicly that less than 10 poindustrial materials could be replaced by	Polish ecor ercent of Wes	nomists	
Some	Polish offic	ials	
have publicly complained Moscow is supply raw materials and that 85 percent of the these materials must be shipped to the US	ying few addi production f	tional	25X1
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Debt Problems	
Poland has made little progress in reexternal financial difficulties. A record trade surplus of \$800 million in the first has enabled Warsaw to pay off arrearages of for 1981, but the regime has not begun pay \$11.2 billion debt service due this year. ern governments still refuse to reschedule Switzerland, Sweden, Austria, the UK, and are now pushing to open talks with the Pol	d hard currency t half of 1982 on obligations yments on its Although West- e, West Germany, the Netherlands
Private creditors began talks with Wathis month, but negotiations will be completely continue to seek total relief from this year.	licated. The
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Outlook  Economic pressure is unlikely to ease remainder of 1982. Jaruzelski is unwilling steps required to obtain Western credit on the people.	ng to take the r to satisfy
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